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SUBJECT: NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CAMEROON NATIONAL UNION MEETS

1. SUMMARY: NATIONAL COUNCIL OF UNION NATIONALE CAMEROUNAISE (UNC) HELD REGULAR ANNUAL SESSION NOVEMBER 25-27 AT WHICH HIGHLIGHT WAS PRESIDENT AHIDJO'S KEYNOTE SPEECH AS PARTY CHAIRMAN. REST OF SESSION WAS DEVOTED TO RUN-OFF-MILL RECOUNT-ING OF GOVERNMENT'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND GLORIFICATION OF AHIDJO WHO CONTINUES HOLD PARTY REINS TIGHTLY IN HIS HANDS. END SUMMARY.

2. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CAMEROON'S UNIFIED POLITICAL PARTY MET NOVEMBER 25-27. THIS IS SECOND HIGHEST PARTY BODY WHICH MEETS IN PRINCIPLE ANY YEAR THAT UNC NATIONAL CONGRESS DOES NOT CONVENE IN EITHER ORDINARY OR EXTRAORDINARY SESSION. PARTY CHAIRMAN AHIDJO ANNOUNCED NEXT ORDINARY SESSION OF NATIONAL CONGRESS WOULD BE HELD SOMETIME DURING 1974 IN DOUALA. NATIONAL CONGRESS SCHEDULED ELECT NEW PARTY OFFICERS AT THAT MEETING SINCE FIVE-YEAR MANDATE OF PRESENT POLITICAL BUREAU EXPIRES THEN.

3. HIGHLIGHT OF NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING WAS PRESIDENT AHIDJO'S LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COMPREHENSIVE STATE-OF-UNION ADDRESS (REPORTED SEPTEL).

OTHERWISE, PROGRAM CONSISTED OF SPEECHES TO PLENARY SESSIONS BY UNC POLITICAL SECRETARY, BY MINYOUTH AND SPORTS ON NASCENT NATIONAL CIVIC SERVICE, AND BY VICE-MIN AGRICULTURE ON GREEN REVOLUTION. LATTER TWO SPEECHES WERE REHASES OF VERY FAMILIAR THEMES. NO REPORTS OUT YET ON POLITICAL SECRETARY'S REMARKS, BUT UNLIKELY HE SAID ANYTHING NEW EITHER. IN ADDITION, DELEGATES SAT ON COMMITTEES WHICH PREPARED PEDESTRIAN RESOLUTIONS COMMENDING PRESIDENT FOR HIS GOOD WORK IN ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, AND FOREIGN POLICY AND URGING HIM DO THINGS WHICH ALREADY ANNOUNCED AS AMONG GURC GOALS AND PROGRAMS.

4. COMMENT: THIS NATIONAL COUNCIL HELD TRUE TO PATTERN OF PREVIOUS UNC CONCLAVES. ONLY EVENT OF SUBSTANCE WAS PRESIDENT'S KEYNOTE SPEECH, WITH REST OF ACTIVITIES WINDOW DRESSING AND EXALTATION OF MAXIMAL LEADER AND HIS IDEAS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS. AHIDJO'S CREATION, THE PARTY CLEARLY REMAINS HIS CREATURE AS WELL. UNC IS STILL NOT A VERY VIRILE ANIMAL.
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